
Title: A Lesson of History.

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Let us reflect on a place
that we will all soon be
in, a place of forgotten
lore, and secrets.

Let us reflect on the
history of...
The Stygian Abyss.
In The Begining of the
Age of Enlightenment,
Circa 10 B.C., The
Stranger knew what he
had to do. Humans and
Gargoyles were in a
bitter war, and there was
no way out. The
Gargoyles even conjured
the spirits of Minax,
Mondain and Exodus to
ambody their 3 shrines
of principle. The Stranger
hurled Mondains Skull into
the mouth of the big
black cave. And the
opened, and the Stygian
Abyss was discovered.
Then he went in to find
the Codex of Wisdom,
discovered in the bottom
chamber, The Chamber of
Virtue. They even formed
a colony in the abyss,
Human and Gargoyles
living together peacefully.
In 60 BC, The Great
Council decided to remove
the codex, enshrining it
on the Isle of the
Avatar. A drought tore
through the northeast,
drying up the Lake of
Generosity, into the
desert known as The
Drylands. Beasts came
from all over, and the
virtue dungeons were
sealed off, even Vesper
was abandoned. At this

point, Baron Almríc II sealed the entrance to the abyss, as racial tensions tore the colony, and the Isle of the Avatar became a less peaceful place. The Colony was mostly unharmed during the time Lord British was kidnapped by The Shadowlords, but tensions started flaring up. The Gargoyles even divined that the False Prophet (who they claimed the avatar) was the cause of their collapse, by removing the Codex (which he didn't do). In order to restore peace between man and gargoyle, he would return the Codex to the abyss. 270 BC - The wizard Tyball allows the demon known as the Slasher of to kill Garamon, trapping the beast within the Great Stygian Abyss's Chamber of Virtue. Also, The Avatar witnessed the kidnapping of Arial, the daughter of Baron Almríc III. Accused of the deed himself, The Avatar is sent in to the abyss to rescue her or die trying. As it turns out, Tyball was the kidnapper. The Avatar has succeeded in freeing her of his grasps. With help from The Avatar opens a dimensional gate at the base of the abyss to banish the Slasher of Veils from Britannia. In so doing, a volcano erupted destroying the remains of the once thriving human-gargoyle colony. Baron Almríc III decided to abandon his settlements on the Isle of the Avatar. Before his death, he managed to train Batlin, who along with Abraham, and

Elizabeth would make their own attempts to lay siege to the land.

Meanwhile, The Stygian Abyss would fade into history. What became of this place, and what still lives in it? Is there anything of the old settlement in tact?

Does the Codex still remain safe? Is the ghost of Garamon still present, or what of the Slasher of Veils? Will he make a return? anything survive the volcanic eruption in its base?

These things i can not answer, as i await them like you. The Gargoyles stopped using the abyss when Stonegate was destroyed when Lord Vemalon decided to claim it as his private estate, driving out a clan who, oddly was wingless. Due to the underworlds collapse, and the abyss eruption, the gargoyles seeking peace mostly became myth, and fled to old cities they once thrived in. Using their best to recreate their past society, they are often labled as traitors by the ones still savage. Observing the gargoyles code of virtue it is debatable who the false prophet really was.

Nothing else is recorded happening in the abyss from the time of the eruption to this modern day. The next book will look at virtue... in a different perspective.